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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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MERIDIAN BULK CARRIERS, LTD.,

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Plaintiff,

RULE 7.1 STATEMENT

-against -

SHIPPING AND TRADING HARRISONS GmbH a/k/a S&T HARRISONS a/k/a S&T SHIPPING AND TRADING HARRISONS GmbH a/k/a S&T SHIPPING & TRADING HARRISONS,

Defendant.

The Plaintiff, MERIDIAN BULK CARRIERS, LTD., by and through its undersigned attorneys Freehill Hogan & Mahar, LLP, and pursuant to Rule 7.1 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure (formerly Local General 1.9) and to enable District Judges and Magistrate Judges of the Court to evaluate possible disqualification or recusal, undersigned counsel certifies that the Plaintiff is not a publicly traded entity and no publicly held company owns 10% or more of its stock.

Dated: New York, New York June 6, 2008

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